or any other Act of Congress to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided, however, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prohibit the amendment of said act of said Territory by the legislature thereof from time to time to provide for changes in the improvements authorized by said act or for the disposition of unexpended moneys appropriated by said act, subject, however, to the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 15, 1947 (Public Law 190, Eightieth Congress, first session), or such other Act or Acts of Congress as may then govern the issuance of public improvement bonds by the Territory of Hawaii.

Amendment of Act.

61 Stat. 326. 48 U. S. C., Supp. I, 562l.

Approved June 3, 1948.

[CHAPTER 399]

AN ACT

To amend an Act entitled "An Act to allow credit in connection with certain homestead entries for military or naval service rendered during World War II."

June 3, 1948 [H. R. 5244] [Public Law 596]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of September 27, 1944, as amended (58 Stat. 747; 43 U. S. C. 279, and the following), is hereby amended by renumbering section 5 to read "Section 6", and by adding the following:

Veterans of World War II. Homestead entries. 43 U. S. C., Supp. I, § 279 et seq.

"Sec. 5. As used in this Act, the term "homestead" includes land hereafter disposed of under the Act of May 26, 1934 (48 Stat. 809; 48 U. S. C. 461): Provided, That nothing in this section shall be construed to extend any cultivation requirements to lands disposed of under the Act of May 26, 1934. As used in this Act, the words 'equitable claims subject to allowance and confirmation' include claims of holders of permits issued by the Department of Agriculture on lands eliminated from national forests, whose permits have been terminated only because of such elimination and who own valuable improvements on such lands."

Approved June 3, 1948.

[CHAPTER 400]

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, and for other purposes.

June 3, 1948 [H. R. 5607] [Public Law 597]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, namely:

Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1949.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Department of State Appropriation Act, 1949.

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Salaries and expenses, Department of State: For necessary expenses, including personal services in the District of Columbia; salary of the Under Secretary of State, \$12,000; salaries of the secretariat for the National Commission on Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Cooperation as authorized by the Act of July 30, 1946 (22 U. S. C. 2870); health service program as authorized by law (5 U. S. C. 150); not to exceed \$26,000 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Department of State; purchase of uniforms for chauffeurs; hire of passenger motor vehicles and purchase of nine (of which seven, including one at not to exceed \$3,000, shall be for

60 Stat. 713. 60 Stat. 903.